

Trucker Update

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Event Overview:

- **Approximately 60-80 demonstrators** are reported to be on **Parliament Hill** at this time.
- **Approximately 200-300 demonstrators** on **Wellington St.**
- Confederation Park has approximately 30 demonstrators, the vibe is positive. A large pile of firewood available.
- OPP have confirmed 2 convoys coming this weekend from the East, and one coming from Kingston
- From the City of Ottawa, there are 3 potential demonstrations being planned:
 - o Today (Feb 3rd) from 12:00-14:00, approx. 100 people expected, location is 474 Elgin (OPS police station)
 - o Today (Feb 3rd) from 14:00-18:00, unknown number of people will march from 474 Elgin (OPS police station) along Elgin Street to City Hall
 - o Feb 5th from 12:00-19:00, approx. 1000 people expected, location TBD
- A poster for the upcoming counter demonstration on February 5, 2022 was located on Facebook. According to the event poster, the group is expected to demonstrate at the Elgin Police Station and City Hall from 1500-1700hrs. The number of expected participants could not be confirmed.

Communications:

- There continues to be an extremely high volume of media articles today, with a total of **200 articles** in the news thus far. A **CO employee message** to be sent this afternoon.
- PM TRUDEAU did a live briefing around 1100hrs today and was asked if the federal government was going to send in the military and he replied that there was yet to be a formal request made and that this is not 'in the cards right now'.
- Global News reported that "Ottawa police Chief Peter Sloly said Wednesday that the department is aware of a "sizeable element" in the U.S. that is involved in funding, organizing and participating in the protest in Ottawa. Sloly said the protest is putting the city and officers at "great risk."
- Ottawa Police Service issued a **media update at 9:07** today indicating that their Traffic Enforcement Unit is actively patrolling downtown residential neighbourhoods to address traffic issues related to the ongoing demonstration, as well as to announced that yesterday, they had **charged one man criminally and laid 30 traffic tickets**. In addition, **eight charges were laid** for unnecessary noise (honking of horns), one for transporting dangerous goods (insecure fuel cans), one for improper muffler, four for disobeying signs, two for driving the wrong way in one way traffic, one unsafe lane change, one distracted driving, six speeding, one running a stop sign and five document offences. One driver was charged for driving while criminally prohibited. Finally, they mentioned that cruisers with **Automatic License Plate Readers (ALPR) technology** was being deployed.
- There has been **1 media request received by the RCMP** so far today from Bloomberg News regarding security around the Prime Minister's Office right now given protesters carting around diesel fuel in wheelbarrows directly outside the building, and other activities that in any

other situation would seem like a major security threat. Response was: *While not the police service of jurisdiction in this matter, the RCMP is certainly monitoring the situation closely and are working with the Ottawa Police Service, which holds operational jurisdiction over public order activities and events in the City of Ottawa, and the Parliamentary Protective Service which is responsible for protecting the physical security of Parliament Hill.*

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